SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION

WAC 246-976-890 Interhospital transfer guidelines and agreements.

Designated trauma services must:

- (1) Have written guidelines consistent with your written scope of trauma service to identify and transfer patients with special care needs exceeding the capabilities of the trauma service.
- (2) Have written transfer agreements with other designated trauma services. The agreements must address the responsibility of the transferring hospital, the receiving hospital, and the prehospital transport agency, including a mechanism to assign medical control during interhospital transfer.
- (3) Have written guidelines consistent with your written scope of trauma service to identify trauma patients who are transferred in from other facilities, whether admitted through the emergency department or directly into other hospital services.
- (4) Use verified prehospital trauma services for interfacility transfer of trauma patients.